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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
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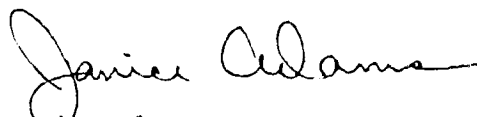
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I would like to take some time to express to you my feelings about the Microsoft antitrust suit. The government should have never initiated the suit to begin with, and I was relieved to see that both sides had come to terms on a settlement. The settlement between Microsoft and the Department of Justice is fair to all parties involved, and I would like to see this issue finally put to rest.

I am a big fan of the free enterprise system, and feel that less government involvement in business is better. Microsoft has been extremely beneficial to America, and there is no need to keep dragging them through court. They have donated millions of dollars to charities, simplified computing on a global level, and have been responsible for thousands upon thousands of jobs here in America and across the globe. Government interaction is not necessary, and the settlement actually tries to address that issue a little. An oversight committee has been set-up to watch over Microsoft and make sure they adhere to the terms of the settlement. So, instead of having the Department of Justice and the federal government breathe down Microsoft's neck, the committee will make sure everything is going smoothly.

I support this settlement since it brings to an end the litigation against Microsoft at the federal level.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Janice Adams".

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